

Claims

- [c1] A mudflap, comprising a main body, and EL lighting attached to the main body.
- [c2] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the main body has a left side orientation or a right side orientation.
- [c3] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the EL lighting is in a form of safety indicia.
- [c4] The mudflap of claim 1, further comprising a battery attached to the mudflap for powering the EL lighting.
- [c5] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the EL lighting blinks.
- [c6] The mudflap of claim 3, wherein the safety indicia denotes caution.
- [c7] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the EL lighting is red.
- [c8] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the EL lighting is green.
- [c9] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the EL lighting is yellow.
- [c10] The mudflap of claim 1 wherein the EL lighting includes at least two colors.
- [c11] The mudflap of claim 1, wherein the EL lighting has a first color in daylight and a second color in the dark.
- [c12] The mudflap of claim 1, further comprising a layer over the EL lighting that changes the color of the EL lighting.
- [c13] A kit comprising two of the mudflaps of claim 1, wherein one of the mudflaps has a left-handed orientation and one of the mudflaps has a right-handed orientation.
- [c14] A kit comprising four of the mudflaps of claim 1, wherein two of the mudflaps

have a left-handed orientation and two of the mudflaps have a right-handed orientation.

- [c15] A vehicle that includes at least one of the mudflaps of claim 1.
- [c16] A method for improving safety of a vehicle in conditions of impaired visibility, comprising: Installing one or more mudflaps of claim 1 on the vehicle.
- [c17] A method for making a mudflap, comprising: fabricating a main body and attaching an EL lighting system to the main body.
- [c18] The method of claim 17, further comprising attaching a battery for the EL lighting system to the mudflap.
- [c19] The method of claim 17, further comprising adding a layer over the EL lighting system to change the color of the light.
- [c20] The method of claim 17, further comprising adding a layer over the EL lighting to protect the EL lighting from damage.